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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Appl. No. 10/050,908; Filed: January 18, 2002

Apparatus and Method for Cleaning Test Probes

Inventors:

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Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant claims small entity status See 37 CFR 1.27		147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination		
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